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There are several other references to the use of screens for posting that can only relate to the screens for computing means. See for example:

Fig 6:

"Members should be aware that they are generating a reputation with their postings" can only imply that such postings are postings of information and if such postings are to a screen as in Fig 5, it can only be information that is posted to a computing means.

Fig 7:

Screens are noted as the subject of the example on that Figure and the note states: " postings can also be for a specific task or question that respondents can...".

If the posting is a response to a question or about a specific task, it can only relate to the posting of information. Again in the context of a screen for posting such information, and the use of such information in a professional collaboration network can only mean that such information is input to a screen of a computing means.

Fig 8:

"original question or posting with attribute space and attribute strengths defined for the product space..."   /
can only mean the posting of information . The same figure shows a screen with "posting content".

Fig 9, Fig 10 have screens that show "posting content which can only be posting to a screen of a computing means.

Fig 15:

"Screens: Series fo screens that help enterpreneur define the legal ...."

again refers to screens that provide information which can only be screens of a computing means.

Fig 18:

"Screen allows selection of specific industry and functional area Intersection ...."

Such a screen for identifying and selection of information can only be from the screen of a computing means.

Fig 20:

"Screens....shows each bid..."

Can only be screens from a means that can provide information and in the context of the present invention screens of a computing means.

There are several other references to screens that can only be screens of a computing means For example, Specification: [0011] .

Based on the above support in the disclosure of an information network using computing means, the applicant has amended page 1 of the specification to explicitly state this without adding new matter.

Finally the applicant respectfully submits that support for iterating over nth and (n+1)th level Trust

members may be found for example on Fig 23: (and in amended specification page 4)

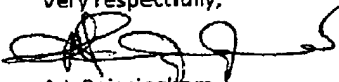"....and may initiate backward chaining of references that get 2nd level to nth level references ..."

The applicant respectfully submits that such backward chaining process is an iterative process, and the use

of notation n, (n+1) represents this iterative process. The applicant respectfully submits a wiki page that

describes backward chaining.

Conclusion

The Applicant has submitted responses as required by the examiner. Moreover the applicant submits that
the substitute specification and claims do not contain any new matter. If for any reason this application is
not considered to be in full condition for allowance, the applicant respectfully requests the constructive
assistance and suggestions of the examiner pursuant to MPEP Section 706.03(d) and MPEP Section 707.07(j)
in order that the applicant can place this application in allowable condition as soon as possible and without
a need for further proceedings.

The applicant requests the examiner to consider a telephone interview if necessary to propose examiner's
amendments that could place this application in an allowable condition.

Very respectfully,

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Att:
1. Amended Mark up Claims (claim 1 only amended)
2. Amended Specification - Page 1 only.
3. Wiki article backward chaining